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**STATUS INQUIRY**

Gentlemen:

Please advise as to the status of the above-identified patent application. Status requests have previously been filed on January 27, 2005, September 27, 2004, June 7, 2004 and January 15, 2004.

Further, the undersigned has had a couple of conversations with the Supervisory Examiner who indicated that he would contact the Examiner to learn of the status of this application. The undersigned has also attempted to contact the Examiner and has left a number of voice mail messages with her, but none of the undersigned calls have been returned by the Examiner.

The undersigned has looked up the status of this application on the PAIR system (see attached copy). The status for this application is listed as: "Abandoned - - Failure to Respond to an Office Action" with a status date of "06-17-2002." However, the PAIR "File History" on this application states "09-16-2002 Petition to Revive Application - Granted."


Neither the assignee, inventors nor attorneys of record for this application have received any written communications from the Patent Office for this application since the filing of a Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment on June 27, 2002.

Applicants have filed numerous status requests but have yet to receive any Office Action, Notice of Allowance or any satisfactory response to their status requests.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully requests the current status of the above-identified patent application, and the issuance of an Office Action or Notice of Allowance to the below listed attorneys of record.

Respectfully submitted,

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07-08-2002	Petition Entered
06-17-2002	Mail Abandonment for Failure to Respond to Office Action
06-17-2002	Abandonment for Failure to Respond to Office Action
09-10-2001	Correspondence Address Change
07-26-2001	Preliminary Amendment
07-26-2001	Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Filed
05-28-1999	Preliminary Amendment
05-05-1999	Preliminary Amendment
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12-20-1999	Non-Final Rejection
12-08-1999	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
12-08-1999	Transfer Inquiry
06-15-1998	Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
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